

REMARKS:

Claims 1, 2, 10 – 14, 16, 18, 20, 26, 28, 30, 31, 34, 36 – 39, 44, 47, 51, 60 – 62, and 66 – 70 are pending. In the February 24, 2009 Office Action (the “Office Action”), several pending claims were rejected under Section 103 (Office Action pages 2 – 3, points 1 – 3), and claims 11 – 14, 18, 20, 23, 30, 36 – 38, 44, 47, 60 – 62 and 68 were considered allowable if rewritten in independent form with all limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

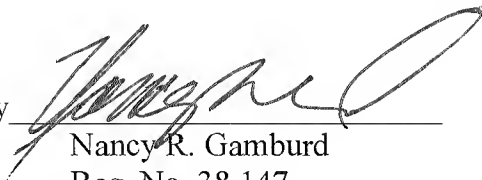
In this Amendment, the independent claims 1, 51, and 70 have been amended to incorporate the limitations of allowable claim 23. Independent method claim 66 has been amended to incorporate limitation of both the allowable claim 23 and allowable claim 68. Also in this Amendment, various claims have also been amended to more distinctly point out and claim the present invention, to update the claim language in light of more recent precedent (*e.g.*, deleting “econfigured” language). No new matter has been introduced.

A terminal disclaimer has been submitted previously, which overcomes the prior nonstatutory double-patenting rejection.

On the basis of the above amendments and remarks, Applicants respectfully submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and allowance of the application is believed to be warranted, and an early action toward that end is respectfully solicited. In addition, for any issues or concerns, the Examiner is invited to call the attorney for the Applicants at the telephone number provided below.

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